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Commissioner Dean P. Amidon of the Massachusetts Department of Public Works signs a design contract with Storch Engineers of Boston, Mass., for the proposed relocation of Route 57 in Agawam as Representative Louis R. Nickinello, D-Natick (left) and Representative Edward W. Connelly, R-Agawam (right) look on.

Route 57 Design Contract Signed

On Monday, July 9, 1979, Commissioner Dean P. Amidon of the Massachusetts Department of Public Works signed a contract for the design of the proposed 4.5 mile long relocation of Route 57 in Agawam/Southwick.

The ceremony took place in the State House office of Representative Louis R. Nickinello, D-Natick, House Chairman of the Legislative

Committee on Transportation.

Present at the signing were Representative Nickinello and Representative Edward W. Connelly, R-Agawam. Representative Connelly has been one of the dominant forces in bringing the Route 57 project to its present stage.

The proposed Route 57 Relocation is from the Suffield Street Interchange in Agawam to the

Agawam/Southwick Line.

A divided four lane highway is planned for Suffield Street to west of the proposed interchange at Westfield Street in Agawam where the highway will merge to an expandable two lane facility joining existing Route 57 at the Agawam/Southwick Line.

The contractor for this State funded \$800,000 design contract will be Storch Engineers of Boston, Massachusetts.

MAX-ED: High School Program Controversy

First of a Three-Part Series

When the program first appeared at the high school some 7 years ago, it was named "open campus." According to Mary Charest, who currently directs the present day program called Max-Ed (Maximum Education), the original open campus version "was an outgrowth of the restlessness and rebellion of the times."

Target of Anxiety

Open Campus, Max-Ed, or whatever one wishes to call it, has been, and continues to be, the subject of much debate and controversy amongst faculty, students, administrators, parents and school committee members. With the ever growing and much publicized problems of drinking and vandalism at the senior high school, it has become the target of much emotion and anxiety, especially from the seven members of the school board.

Max-Ed, the system which allows high school seniors the privilege of leaving school grounds during normal classroom hours is in trouble. Last week it narrowly passed for the academic year 79-80 after a bitter debate on the school committee floor. The program, which comes under assessment at the end of each fiscal year, almost faltered under the intense scrutiny levied by opposition forces led by committee members Jesse Fuller, Walter Balboni and Joseph Napolitan.

Thomas Ennis, a supporter of Max-Ed during his long tenure as a school committee member, voted to nix the program in its present format. If Napolitan had not stormed from the committee's chambers just before the final vote, the class of 1980 would have never experienced Max-Ed privileges. Napolitan's departure, justified by what he termed "flagrant filibustering" by colleagues Roberta Doering, Venetta Snyder and Chairman Richard Borgatti, left the program in a 3-3 stalemate. Since a tie vote does not defeat a motion, Max-Ed lives on, but not comfortably.

Political Bloodbath

The fact that this year Max-Ed turned into a political bloodbath exemplifies the level of opposition and doubt surrounding the program. Said one

teacher at the high school who supports Max-Ed, "because the discipline and drinking problems here have been in the limelight, especially this year, Max-Ed is now the whipping boy. And I just don't buy that. What the program lacks is support and cooperation from the faculty, and not just from Mary Charest."

Discipline at the high school, or lack of it, certainly is an issue that was spotlighted during the past academic year. Although speculation and doubt always surfaced amongst school committee members about Max-Ed in previous years, it survived under the guise of further modification of its rules and regulations. Except for Balboni, members of this present school committee have supported Max-Ed's staunchest detractor for implementation for next September, approved Max-Ed in May, 1978.

Hardened Scenario

Because the scenario at the high school in 78-79 was hardened by a number of discipline oriented incidents, principal David Theodorowicz, and assistant principals David Bates and John Morrissey became the targets of scrutiny by some members of the community. Blamed for the deluge of discipline matters was Max-Ed. "The kids being out of the building and at McDonald's or some other hangout has created a total lack of discipline there," related one parent with two children at the high school - one of whom was on Max-Ed. Theodorowicz, a strong advocate of Max-Ed was termed as an "ostrich with his head in the sand" in a letter to the Advertiser/News, for not taking proper measures to correct the alleged lack of discipline at the high school. According to Mrs.

Charest, a large number of seniors were responsibly following the guidelines of Max-Ed. "To include those kids, the kids in the majority with the bad apple element certainly is an injustice," she remarked.

The goal of Max-Ed, since its introduction under that name in 1973-74, has been to make pupils in the senior class more responsible citizens of the community by coordinating their time out of the classroom in a constructive manner. By doing so, it is argued, each senior will work harder academically to remain on the program and at the same time, become involved in extracurricular activities.

Max-Ed Opponents Maintain that the Program's Goals have Failed

At this point in time, all seniors must remain at a "D" average to qualify for Max-Ed participation. Good citizenship in school also must be maintained. Currently there are no Max-Ed prerequisites that require each student to have had a sound discipline and academic average during both the sophomore and junior sessions. For the most part, all pre-requisites for participation begin once each student enters the senior year.

Intentions to Abolish Max-Ed

When a number of vandalism incidents occurred on school grounds on June 19, 1979, the last day of school, Mrs. Fuller announced that she would attempt to abolish Max-Ed at the school committee's meeting on June 28.

According to Mrs. Fuller, Agawam possesses the most liberal Max-Ed program of any area school that hosts similar programs. She said that discussions with administrators at Longmeadow High School revealed that after the Longmeadow system abolish-

Grand Re-Opening

Present at Carmel Corner's Grand Re-Opening and ribbon cutting ceremony last week were, at left from left to right: Town Council President Richard Theroux, Carlo Bonavita Jr., Town Manager Peter Caputo, and Mrs. Mary Bonavita. Carmel Corner is located at the intersection of Suffield and Silver Streets in Agawam. photo by Jack Devine



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HEO

WEDNESDAY, JULY 18

6:00 The Seekers: Part II (PG-1:45)
8:00 Airport 1975 (PG-1:46)
10:00 On Location:
Rich Little and the Great Pretenders
11:30 Standing Room Only:
Abracadabra! It's Magic!

THURSDAY, JULY 19

6:00 Baseball: Race for the Pennant —
Halfway to the World Series
7:00 The Olympiad: The Rare Ones
8:00 Special: The Golden Age of Buster Keaton
9:30 Buck Rogers in the 25th Century (PG-1:28)
11:00 The Boys in Company C (R-2:05)

FRIDAY, JULY 20

6:00 Sinbad and the Eye of the Tiger (G-1:53)
8:00 Baseball: Race for the Pennant —
Halfway to the World Series
9:00 The Exorcist (R-2:02)
11:00 Let's Do It Again (PG-1:53)
1:00 Bloodbrothers (R-1:56)

SATURDAY, JULY 21

3:00 Harry and Walter Go to New York (PG-1:51)
5:00 The Apple Dumpling Gang (G-1:48)
7:00 Special: The Best of the Chipperfield Circus
Part II
8:00 Piranha (R-1:34)
10:00 The Seekers: Parts I & II (PG-3:19)

SUNDAY, JULY 22

2:30 Airport 1975 (PG-1:46)
4:30 Sinbad and the Eye of the Tiger (G-1:53)
6:30 Jack and the Beanstalk (G-1:32)

8:00 Standing Room Only: Daredevils
9:00 Airport 1975 (PG-1:46)
11:00 First Love (R-1:31)
12:30 Corvette Summer (PG-1:45)

MONDAY, JULY 23

5:00 Buck Rogers in the 25th Century (PG-1:28)
6:30 Special: The Golden Age of Buster Keaton
8:00 Griffin and Phoenix (PG-1:37)
10:00 On Location:
Rich Little and the Great Pretenders
11:30 The Olympiad: The Rare Ones
12:30 Buck Rogers in the 25th Century (PG-1:28)

TUESDAY, JULY 24

5:30 Airport 1975 (PG-1:46)
7:30 Baseball: Race for the Pennant
8:00 Piranha (R-1:34)
10:00 The Exorcist (R-2:02)
12:00 Let's Do It Again (PG-1:53)

SPAN Announces Book Sale

The SPAN Center is sponsoring a giant book sale for the benefit of the Center. The books, which were all donated, cover a wide variety of topics, including children's books, novels, old books, religious books, and others.

The books are being sold by the pound or the dozen.

Pioneer Valley Grange Prepares For New Season

All of the subordinate granges in Pioneer Valley Pomona Grange elected officers for the coming season last month. Last week, the officers from these granges met at Community Grange Home in Feeding Hills to plan programs.

Representatives from Granville, Southwick, Westfield, Southampton, Westfield, and Feeding Hills were present to exchange information and ideas, arrange dates and appoint committees. Mr. Thomas Colthart from Southampton,

master-elect of the Pomona Grange, Miss Florence Blish of Community Grange, lecturer-elect, and Mrs. Mildred Stockwell from Westfield Grange, secretary-elect, shared the leadership.

Other officers-elect from Community Grange were Miss Pauline Sosnowich, master; Mrs. Elise Bradway, lecturer; and Mr. Earl Bradway, executive committee. Much work will be done to confirm dates with speakers and entertainers by August when the programs will be announced.

'Trademark' At Riverside

Audience appeal has signaled the return of "Trademark" to Riverside Park. Trademark, up to their old tricks for the third consecutive season, performs a variety of music, featuring songs of the 50's and audience participatory skits including *Alvin and the Chipmunks* and *Monster Mash*.

Lead singer David Merrill and keyboard player Don Bestor Jr. started the group five years ago. Joining the group along the

way were lead guitarist John Russco, bass guitarist Mike Tischler, and drummer Terry Furman, Trademark's newest member.

Trademark prides itself on its ability to be flexible. Says co-leader Merrill, "We pride ourselves on using four and five part harmonies, that we're equally comfortable singing old and new songs, and that we do all of our own musical arrangements."

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|-----------|----------------------------------------|--------|---------|--------|
| Fri Eve. | 7:30-10:30 | \$2.00 | .75 | \$2.75 |
| | Top - 40 - Rock - Faster Paced Session | | | |
| Sat. Eve. | 8:00-11:00 | \$2.00 | .75 | \$2.75 |
| | Top - 40 - Rock - Faster Paced Session | | | |
| Sun. Aft. | 2:00-5:00 | \$1.00 | .75 | \$1.75 |
| | Public Skating - All Ages | | | |
| Sun. Eve. | 7:30-10:00 | \$2.00 | .75 | \$2.75 |
| | Album Oriented Rock | | | |

Senior Center Wright Street, Agawam

7/18: Hamburg-noodle tomato cassarole, bean salad, ice cream
7/19: Lamb patties, potato puffs, cabbage, jello
7/20: Fish on vegetables, mashed potatoes, apple turnovers

7/23: Meatballs and gravy, noodles, broccoli, pears
7/24: Chicken croquettes, mixed vegetables, cookies
7/25: Stuffed peppers, mashed potatoes, lettuce, jello
7/16: Beef chow mein, rice, fruit
7/27: Tuna loaf, shredded potatoes, spinach, cobbler

There has been a correction of the date on our trip to Riverton. The new date is August 23. The trip is \$9.25. We will visit the Hitchcock Chair Factory and the Hallstead Museum. Lunch at the Riverton Inn.

The nurses' foot clinic will be July 19th.

Please remember that we will have our birthday party (a bit late since it should have been June 24) on August 1st. Entertainment after lunch. Sign up early!

Golden Agers Hold Picnic

The Agawam Golden Age Club held its Annual Picnic on July 11th at the Polish Club on Southwick Street.

A chicken dinner was enjoyed by 231 members, who were entertained by Joanne Peters and her Harem Dancers. The Springfield Chordsmen with Bob Cole and Glen Reynolds both of Agawam, Jim Labee of Northampton, and Chuck Desmarais of Chicopee thrilled us with

their harmony.

At our next meeting July 25th, we will be entertained by a choir of Golden Agers from Springfield.

Does anyone have any pictures or information on the history of our club as we are planning on writing a book about it. We would appreciate any help we can get. Call Michael Jabry, 365 River Road, at 789-0762.

Special Needs Camp Has Eventful Week

Camp Rainbow, Agawam's summer day camp for students with special needs, has completed its first full week of music, arts and crafts, swimming, and physical education classes.

Last Monday's big event was a bowling trip to Riverdale Lanes in West Springfield where students and staff tried both regular pins and candle pins. Everyone seemed to enjoy the bowling, and it will be a permanent part of the weekly schedule.

On Tuesday afternoon, July 10th, the students and staff walked from Robinson Park School to the state swimming pool on Maynard Street for a group swim. This event

worked out so well, the staff plans to have a group swim every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday afternoon weather permitting.

The State Line potato chip factory in Wilbraham gave some of the older students a free tour on Wednesday. They saw potato chips manufactured, cooked, and packaged completely by machine, and they even got a chance to eat some chips that were still warm from the cooking vats.

On Friday, the campers and staff took a trip to Sturbridge Village. This recreated colonial village is internationally known for the quality and accuracy of its restorations. In addition to seeing old buildings, homes, and furnishings, they were able to watch the work of skilled craftspeople such as blacksmiths, coopers, and workers in pewter throughout the village.

The major trip for this week will be a visit to the Mystic Sea Aquarium in Mystic, Connecticut, on Friday. The aquarium features a wide variety of live fish and other sea life and also has a marvelous dolphin show.

Everyone at Camp Rainbow is looking forward to that trip and to future outings planned for Northfield Mountain Reservation, Worcester Science Museum, Springfield Planetarium, Mt. Tom's alpine slide, Friendly Corporation headquarters, and the Rollaway for roller skating.

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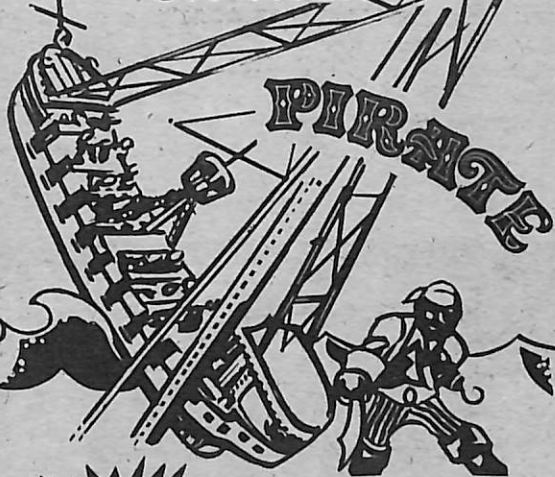
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| Tea | .35 |
| Iced Coffee or Tea | .45 |
| All Sodas | .50 |

Social

King-McCarthy Wedding



Bonnie Lee King and Philip J. McCarthy Jr. were married at a candle light ceremony at Blessed Sacrament Church in Springfield.

The bride was attended by her three sisters; Anna, Dawn and Gena King. The groom was attended by the bride's uncle, Richard Correl, his brother John E. McCarthy and her brother Edward King. Alter boy for his cousin was Edward Mutti.

A reception followed at

Conte's 202 in South Hadley.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. King of Bernie Ave., Springfield. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip J. McCarthy of 35 Sunnyslope Ave., Agawam.

Both Mr. and Mrs. McCarthy are employed at Plastic Packaging in West Springfield. The newlyweds are making their home at 881 St. James Ave., Springfield.

Gaynor Completes Basic Training

Private Second Class Dennis Gaynor, a graduate of Agawam High School in 1978, has graduated from basic training and Military Police Army School at Fort McClellan, Alabama.

After completing 14 weeks of training, he returned July 13 to work as a Recruiter Aide for 30 days. He will then take 14 days leave before departing from McGuire Air Force Base for a tour of duty in Germany.

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Charest Appointed To New Post

Donald J. Charest, former Agawam school committeeman and town meeting member, has recently resigned his position in Granby, Mass., as School Department Supervisor of Business Services to accept a new post as Assistant Superintendent of Schools in Northampton.

Charest, who lives at 95 Reed Street, Agawam, with his wife Barbara and two children David and Donna, was a 10-year employee of Granby schools and decided to make the move for professional growth and advancement which the larger Northampton system offers.

According to Charest, his greatest accomplishment while in Granby was the establishment of a

cooperative buying arrangement with Agawam, West Springfield, Southwick, Longmeadow, East Longmeadow, Wilbraham, and Ludlow school systems. He believes this arrangement has saved the towns "incredible amounts of money" because in purchasing of supplies in large amounts, the towns obtained goods for a lower unit price. He hopes to add Northampton to the group.

Charest has an associate's degree from Northampton Commercial College, a bachelor of business administration from American International College, and is studying for his master's of education degree at Westfield State College.

Lamson Florida Bound



Patrolman Clifford Lamson

On Wednesday, July 18th, a chicken and spaghetti dinner will be held in honor of Patrolman Clifford Lamson of the Agawam Police Department. Lamson is leaving Agawam and the department to relocate in southern Florida where he will pursue a career in, what else, law enforce-

ment.

Lamson joined the Agawam force in 1971 and is presently assigned to motorcycle patrol on the Traffic Bureau. He received an associates degree in Law Enforcement from STCC.

Lamson is married and has three children.

Naurison Scholarship Winners Announced

Wilson Brunel, Chairman of the Board of Third National Bank of Hampden County, recently announced that 457 area students will benefit from the James Z. Naurison Scholarship Fund.

This year, \$212,100 in scholarship grants ranging from \$400 to \$700 were given to students through a trust fund established under the provisions of the will of Dr. James Z. Naurison of Longmeadow who died in 1972.

Dr. Naurison was born in Russia and came to this country when he was eight years old. He became a prominent cardiologist and practiced in the Greater Springfield area for 56 years.

In its capacity as trustee under Dr. Naurison's will, Third National Bank received over 2,100 applications this year. Financial need was the primary requisite for assistance, but a student's academic and extra-curricular ac-

tivities were also taken into consideration.

Winners of this scholarship from Agawam were as follows:

Lynn A. Arnold, 208 Beekman Drive; John P. Conroy, 780 Sunfield Street; Alfred P. Davis, 78 North Street; Diana L. Garcia, 56 River Street; Tina M. Gravel, 32 Kanawha Avenue; Buttama Kalakar, 108 Plantation Drive; John N. Shaer, 630 Cooper Street; and Marissa Tangredi, 193 Meadow Street.

From Feeding Hills, the following students were awarded this grant:

Joseph J. Benerakis, 599 Shoemaker Lane; Antoinette M. Contrino, 180 Line Street; Jodi A. Ferraro, 17 Henry Street; Vickie L. Jones, 72 Witheridge Street; Barbara Klett, 791 South West Street; and Barbara Landers, 94 Kensington Street.

From Southwick, the winners are Debra L. Campagnari, Mark P. Grzeben, John E. Marah, 249 College Highway; Lori L. Matossian, 16 Bonnie View Road; Dean M. Rankin, 216 College Highway; and Kimberly J. Rankin, 216 College Highway.

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Dorothy Nelsen To Address A.C.T.

Dorothy A. Nelsen, a member of the Agawam Conservation Commission, will address the general meeting of Agawam Citizens Together (ACT) on Wednesday, July 25th at 7:30 p.m. at the Valley Community Church in Feeding Hills.

Mrs. Nelsen's presentation will include a slide show, a discussion of the work the Agawam Con-

servation Commission is trying to accomplish, problems that are encountered in terms of drainage, unsewered areas, and wetland areas, and the Natural Resources Planning Program, which the Commission is undertaking to help alleviate these problems.

A question-and-answer period will follow her presentation. All interested persons are invited to attend.

Tag Sale To Benefit SPAN Center

On Sunday, July 29th, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., a tag sale will take place at the SPAN Center on Springfield Street, Feeding Hills. It will be co-sponsored by the Agawam Junior Women's Club and SPAN, and proceeds will supplement funds to aid the center in continuing their counseling services to town residents and will enable the Juniors to continue to support various philanthropies.

Anyone wishing to donate articles for this worthy cause may bring them to the SPAN Center, 770 Springfield Street, or contact Mrs. Barbara O'Connor at 786-6772.

Reading Club Changes Made

Due to the large turnout for the Agawam Library Summer Reading Club, the following program adjustments will be effective Wednesday morning, July 18th, and for all subsequent performances:

FROM 10 to 11 a.m. - Program for all children from kindergarten age through those who will enter grade 2 this fall.

FROM 11 to 12 noon - Program for all children who will enter grade 3 in the fall and all older children.

Parents with youngsters in both age groups may bring all enrolled children to the performance of their choice as both performances will be identical.

Longmeadow Players Present Evening Of One-Act Plays



The Longmeadow Ensemble Players will present an evening of one-act plays on July 28 at 8 p.m. at the Old Howard on the corner of Howard and Main Streets in Springfield. A picnic show the following Sunday afternoon, July 29, at 2 p.m. in Turner Park off Williams Street in Longmeadow will take place. Bring a blanket, lawn chairs and a lunch and enjoy the one-act plays.

Two original pieces will be presented: Anna Lender-Katz, a Longmeadow resident, recently wrote *Yesterday's Today*, which she also stars in and directs a cast of three women. The story is of the turn of the century and involves three

generations of Italian women in Springfield.

The other premiere is of Springfield resident Marvin Ogle's *Green Is The Laurel Leaf* which employs five actors and is directed by Jean Burns and Debbie Butler.

Also on the bill of fare is *Feiffer's People* by the famous Jules Feiffer which will be performed on the same night with about 25 thespians portraying a variety of about 75 characters. Ms. Patty O'Brien Yarsley, a theater graduate of UMass, will direct.

The one-act plays offer entertainment for everyone and for all ages. Plan to bring the family and enjoy. For more information, call 567-1413 or 737-9828.

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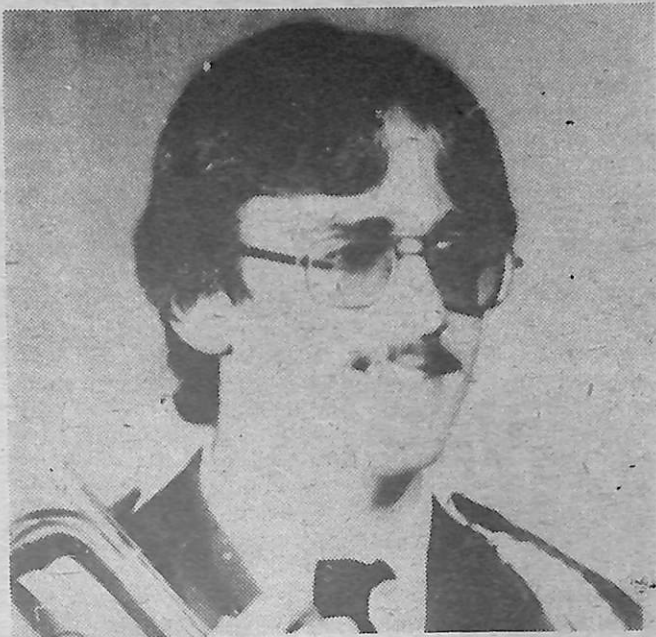
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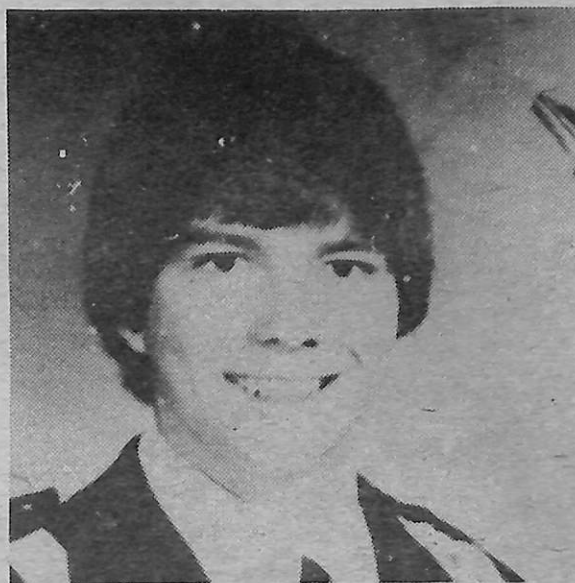
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

July 23, 1979
Astronomy Lecture
Agawam Library
10 a.m.

July 29, 1979
SPAN Center
Tag Sale
10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

July 20, 1979
Laughing Brook
"Star Party"
9 p.m.

July 31, 1979
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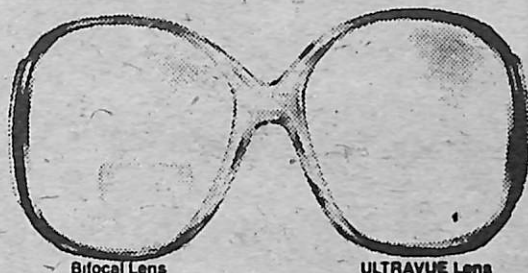
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the musicianship test which is given each year determines the winners of the John Philip Sousa Award, the National Arion Medal, and the Louis Armstrong Jazz Award.

This year the Sousa Award was won by Paul Sibilia, who has distinguished himself by being a member of Young People's Symphony and the winner of many solo and ensemble honors. A versatile musician, Paul played First Chair clarinet in concert band, Lead Alto Sax in Jazz Band, tenor sax in marching band, and has also played bassoon in concert band.

The Arion Medal was won by both Kenneth Mallette and Dominic Dermine. Ken was also a member of Young People's Symphony and the president of the AHS Band for 1978-79. He was chosen for All Western Mass. Band on trumpet and also played in Jazz Band.

Dominic, also a trumpeter, was one of the band's most faithful members with high merit points over the years and a member of Jazz Band.

The Armstrong Jazz Award was won by Nelson Martel, who played solo tenor sax in Jazz Band and gained special recognition as featured soloist at the National Music Festival performance by the Jazz Band. Nelson was also a member of All Western Mass. Band and a recipient of honors at the solo festivals.

Rags Certified In Competition



Rags with Officer Norm Nardi

Peabody, Ma. was the setting for Region 4's, ninth annual K-9 Trails. The purpose of the Regional Trails are to establish a minimum working standard for police K-9s'. Its goal is to improve the proficiency of the canine in police work and to utilize his services as an aid in the prevention and detection of crime.

This year Officer Nardi and K-9 Rags, represented the Western part of the state in the Trails. Forty-three officers and their dogs came from as far away as Maine and Rhode Island to match their proficiency against the best in the area.

Over a three day weekend, Officer Nardi and Rags were put through four difficult phases of competition. On the first day, the obedience trails, consisting of verbal and hand control, was held and Rags did very well.

The afternoon was spent in two phases of article search. Article search requires the dog to search and find two articles bearing a strange scent, hidden within a designated area. Also required was a box search consisting of the K-9 finding a person hidden beneath one of five

boxes. The dog is judged on the way he works and on his indication as to which box encloses the hidden person.

Saturday, Rags was put through the agility test, where he was required to surmount four obstacles; a picket fence, a chain link fence, a simulated brick wall, and a window jump. He also had to scale a six foot wall, walk a catwalk, and broad jump an eight

foot board, graduating in height from four to twelve inches. The agility course is one of Rags best accomplishments, but Saturday afternoon he picked and chose the obstacles he wanted to do. Needless to say, he did not score as well as he could.

By Sunday, the tension was mounting. 350 points are needed to qualify for the PDI, (Rating of Proficiency), and a score of 450

qualifies a K-9 team for the National Trails. Many teams still needed points to qualify for the Nationals.

The attack test is the last test in the trails. This consists of four phases, recall, false start, attack without gunfire, and attack with gunfire. Officer Nardi and Rags, with the help of agitator Frank Connors of Peabody PD,

scored very well in the attack work.

Late Sunday night, Officer Nardi proudly recieved certification and a plaque for the efforts of the weekend. Rag's final score was 386, just 64 points short of the Nationals. They look forward to next years competition and another try, for Rags is truly a number one dog!

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Editorials

The Great Double Standard on Route 57

"Your people will do what you have to do tonight and I'll go out and do what I have to do."

Statement of Warning

That statement, issued by Agawam State Representative Edward Connelly, in a rather matter of fact tone, was a forewarning to the membership of the Lower Pioneer Valley Regional Planning Organization that despite their efforts to stop the \$14.5 million Route 57 bypass in Agawam, it would come to be. Connelly repeated the statement three times. Moments later, 19 out of 41 members of that commission voted for the third time since March against the extension's construction. Count-em 19 out of 41.

That was June 11. Less than a month later, it became quite certain that Connelly's warnings were not hollow.

First, it was learned that Representative Louis R. Nickinello, D-Natick, House Chairman of the legislative committee on transportation threatened Springfield, the main thrust of opposition to 57. Nickinello flatly stated that unless Springfield relinquished their negative sentiments on the road's construction, all aid for road improvement would be cut off.

Secondly, it was discovered that within House Bill 246, which concerns the state's bonded transportation projects, a clause calling for a change in the structure of all Metropolitan Planning Organization's is located. The bill would allow three appointees of Governor King on all MPOs. The bill was defeated, but not for that reason.

State to Assume Responsibility

Thirdly, the state department of Public Works declared that if the Federal Highway Commission would not assume responsibility for 75 percent of the road's funding, the state will fund the entire project. You will remember that the FHA is a member of the region's MPO, along with the state DPW, LPVRC and Pioneer Valley Transit Authority. Both the FHA and state DPW support the project, (the FHA did until the last minute.) The two local agencies are against the project. The result; a 2-2 stalemate and for the time being, construction of the project halted. Nevertheless, the state picked up the \$800,000 tab for the preliminary design and engineering work.

In lieu of the announcement by Nickinello that Springfield "had better stop being smart on Route 57", it became evident that Ed Connelly was doing a bit of politicking - as he had warned the LPVRC on June 11th. Enter the Springfield Morning Union, the sour grapes, and the double standards.

To begin their salvo to protect the interests of the City of Springfield, the Union, on Independence Day, printed an editorial scoring Nickinello for his comments, the state for picking up the construction tab for the entire project, and finally, blasting Ed Connelly for using political clout as a means to reach the end - the construction of Route 57.

Two Part Series

This was followed by a two part series that "brought out" the politics on the road and the "cast of characters" involved.

Connelly bore the brunt of the accusations. Some very nasty and tasteless innuendoes were expressed about Connelly in that series. If the intention of the series was to be one-sided and prejudicial towards the opponents of Route 57, it certainly succeeded. Conveniently, the series failed to mention a few very pertinent points on the matter. For instance:

-the local opposition to the project, the LPVRC and PVTA were represented as all-knowing on the project during their opposition against it. In fact, as proved by Connelly on a number of occasions, many of the commissioners had little knowledge about Route 57 or its scope. The commission took the lead from Timothy Brennan, a senior consultant of the LPVRC and Mark Webb, chairman of that group and a member of the PVTA from Chicopee.

-elected officials of some area communities support the project while their appointed officials to the PVTA and LPVRC do not.

-The objections of the LPVRC concerning traffic impacts on the South End Bridge and Sumner Avenue area along with other environmental concerns have been proven minimal by federal and state engineers. Apparently, Brennan and the LPVRC's opinion is sacred when it's convenient. Traffic on the South End Bridge will be uncontrollable with or without the extension by 1990. Has Springfield began to implement a plan that will address this fact?

-Both the LPVRC and PVTA have self-interest at heart. The LPVRC has convinced it's commissioners that Agawam can build a commercial base along Route 57 and therefore, hurt new suburban shopping malls and downtown revitalization in Spr-

ingfield. This was publicly admitted by Brennan, for the first time, on June 11, 1979. The PVTA is in the business of public transit. New roads are not conducive to public transit, especially in communities on the westerly border of Agawam.

Public Safety

-Public Safety has always been a number one factor in the construction of the bypass from Agawam's standpoint. To insinuate that a race track proposal and the \$50 million Beltrandi Business Park proposal were the town's real motive for the Route 57 project is ridiculous. As a matter of fact, residents of Agawam are not receptive to large scale development. The community's poor show of support sparked the subsequent withdrawal of the race track proposal, the business park proposal, and the proposed building of condominiums by local contractor Frank Solitario, is indicative of those sentiments.

-People close to Senator Paul Tsongas deny having taken any action on Route 57. If this is true, how can the Morning Union say that when Tsongas replaced Senator Brooke last January, the Federal Highway Commission withdrew its support for Route 57? Historically, federal agencies do not fund local projects when local agencies are opposed. Yet, Norman VanNess, FHA administrator in Boston and supporter of 57 did not withdraw the funding until he was told to do so by his superiors in Washington. This was in mid-May. Tsongas aides deny involvement.

-Springfield politicians, whether it be through mandate of their constituency or through their own accord, lobbied until they were blue in the face against Route 57. This includes U.S. Rep. Edward Boland who is probably responsible for the FHA's withdrawal. Harold Ellis, Agawam's representative on the LPVRC, told the Advertiser/News that a commissioner of that body related to him that he had been telephoned by an employee of the LPVRC to vote against 57. Upon learning that Ellis was in fact from Agawam, the commissioner in question quickly clammed up.

Double Standard

The final reason best exemplifies the double standards now in play. While it is perfectly acceptable for opponents of Route 57 to play politics, Ed Connelly must humbly hold his hat. It seems rather amusing that the regional bullies who ganged up on Agawam found that Connelly would have no part of the sham. Connelly, unlike some of those Springfield City Councilors and state reps, is not counting votes when issuing statements on 57. The present highway represents a major public safety hazard to motorists, pedestrians and homeowners in Agawam. It has for a long, long time, and the problem continues to proliferate.

One observer on the Springfield scene said that leaders of the City have resigned to the fact that Route 57 will become a reality. "But they will fight it because that's what their constituents want to hear."

As an alternative to Route 57, Brennan offers Agawam road improvements along Mill Street, the location of the road's present problem; a four lane motorway dumping into a densely populated area. These improvements are now being undertaken by the town. At best, the road improvements are band-aid solutions. Brennan's suggestion to widen Mill Street is ludicrous. Twenty-five homeowners would lose their front lawns, and, in some cases, their homes. Fringe parking lots for commuters to utilize PVTA services has also been suggested by Brennan to alleviate traffic along 57. Who is being served by such a move - the commuter or the PVTA?

Tornek Involved

This same source identified former PVTA director Terry Tornek as a driving force in the Springfield based opposition to the project. Tornek, who now is employed as a consultant in Springfield for a New York based firm, is gearing up for a run at the Mayor's office or Boland's seat once it becomes vacated. By placating 57 dissenters, this individual pointed out, Tornek is making political alliances for his upcoming campaigns.

A local resident close to the Route 57 episode said that certain members of the Agawam Town Council have helped create disdain for the project by issuing unwarranted statements to the media. "Let's not shove all the blame to Springfield for playing politics. Other than Connelly, only Kenneth Barnes and maybe Town Manager Peter Caputo know what they're talking about. The rest of the Council should shut up to the press until they know what they are talking about."

According to Connelly, the revised House Bill on bonded transportation projects will not include the MPO clause. "The governor is the person who will decide that issue," he related.

From The Editors Desk

By Pat Guevin



I saw a sign on the side of a car in Agawam recently that read something to the effect that Agawam citizens should wake up and boycott the South End and Forest Park merchants for what they're trying to do to the Route 57 project. The idea might have some merit!

Last week I spoke of the gas situation and noted that we in Agawam should make every attempt to shop locally. We should also dine locally.

There are a number of good restaurants in town and instead of traveling fifteen or twenty miles to eat, why not try one of our local eateries?

Denny's Kabob House opened recently in the Agawam Shopping Center. We've been there for both lunch and dinner and were quite pleased with the experience. The food was good - ranging from exotic Syrian and Lebanese dishes to steak and broiled swordfish. The service was excellent and the food well prepared. The inside of what used to be the Big Bun has been completely refurbished and presents a pleasant surrounding in which to enjoy your meal. I hope you will give it a try - new businesses in town - as well as established business - need your support if they are to remain in Agawam, and God knows, we can't afford to lose any more businesses.

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Although it seems rather doubtful that the state will pick up the entire bill for the extension's con-

struction, one still gets the feeling that the FHA will re-submit it's funding commitment.

Agawam Knows Better

Quoting the Springfield Morning Union article, "the political maneuvering is now out in the open for the public to see and judge." Judging from that series of articles and editorial commentary, Springfield, the LPVRC, the PVTA and opponents of Route 57 are the poor victims of power politics. We in Agawam know better.

Power politics and gang tackling of 9he citizens of Agawam actually created the entire controversy. Crying foul play and spitting sour grapes is typical of a loopholed opposition. Agawam did not create the South End Bridge problem, not is Agawam responsible for Springfield's current economic blight that mandates the now famous "revitalization process." If Springfield wishes to revitalize itself, fine. But not at Agawam's expense.

The double standard is indicative of backroom politics. To quote a famous old proverb, "those who live in glass houses should not throw stones." 57 antagonists did. Agawam just threw them back.

Last Chance For The "Last Kennedy"

By Thomas G. White

He is known as "the last Kennedy" and for many, he is the last hope.

With the situation in America looking more threatening by the day - gas lines, trucker strikes, nuclear accidents, taxpayer revolts, and inflation - a growing number of Americans are today looking to him to lead the country in the 80's. A group of liberal congressmen has publicly called upon him to run. In at least a dozen states there are "Draft Teddy" movements under way. Polls show him a 2-to-1 favorite over Jimmy Carter among Democrats.

He is Edward Moore Kennedy and, apparently, he is a man larger than his times. For Kennedy's popularity is reaching a zenith at a time when, ironically, his politics are at a new low.

He is liberal when America is increasingly conservative. He speaks for the poor and neglected when most Americans prefer not to listen to problems other than their own. He emphasizes government's responsibilities when millions of Americans are demanding less government and lower taxes.

Yet Kennedy has never been so popular. He is a phenomenon that shows no signs of diminishing, enjoying a position in politics and public life that is seemingly beyond good and evil.

A cosmic presence the likes of Edward Kennedy is not easily explained. If it could be explained, it might be duplicated. But it hasn't been and to those who have witnessed it, the chances for duplication are about as likely as another Haley's Comet. Oh, there are those with more money, like Senator John Heinz; and those with better looks, like Jack Kemp; and even those who wax more eloquent, like Daniel P. Moynihan. In fact, there is no single element or attribute that explains Kennedy's magic. At best, one tries to document it.

More than two decades ago, a handsome, bright and energetic young senator emerged from Massachusetts to capture the imagination of America and the world. He was not without his enemies, but even his detractors acknowledged he was elegant, witty, intelligent and self-possessing. He brought to America a sense of vigor and challenge with the apparent promise of infinite achievement. He gave us a sense of future and destiny. His name was Kennedy.

When millions of Americans looked at their President, they saw the river's reflection of what they believed America to be.

But the river moved on. John Kennedy's life was ill-fated and so, too, it seems, was the life of America. An assassin's bullet murdered America's dreams and set loose the nightmares of the 60's.

In every national election since the death of John Kennedy, a collective yearning has returned to focus upon a handsome young man bearing the name Kennedy. Until 1968, it was Robert. But tragedy again intervened.

Since the death of Robert, the pivot of hope has been Ted. In '68, '72, '76, and again in '80, national attention has repeatedly been fixed on the question: will Ted run?

The longevity of this national fascination with Kennedy leadership is remarkable. It has persisted despite the trials of war, riots, strikes, recessions, oil crises and Watergate. It has abided despite Kennedy's own trials as well: the loss of his senate whip position, the tragedy at Chappaquiddick and a separation from his wife.

The parallel is not coincidental. Both Kennedy and America have erred and suffered. Both need redemption. America must get beyond its mistakes of the 60's and its malaise of the 70's and reestablish its sense of confidence and direction. Kennedy, too, must reconquer the sense of vigor and destiny which has been questioned since Chappaquiddick.

But there is a warning that must be attached to

this scenario. For those who expect from a Ted Kennedy presidency a return to Camelot, the future bodes ill. There is little that anyone could do to immediately set aright the damaged ship America sails.

Of course, subconsciously, many of those who support Ted Kennedy will never accept this fact. In Ted Kennedy, they will always see the vigorous confidence of Jack, the handsome determination of Bobby. They will see in him those special dreams before Vietnam and infamy.

America clings to a Kennedy in the way that a person growing older retains the memories of first love. It is as if all of the promise and innocence of America in its youth could be regained with Ted Kennedy in the White House. That illusion is more than an assassin.

The Ted Kennedy who emerged from a national election would be battered and wounded, but stronger for the fight. Like America, he would have to summon new strength. He would have to move beyond the dangerous myths, the unreasonable expectations, and the paralysis of past failure. When he does that, he will be able to lead America. And America needs to be led.

Agawam Women Contribute To YWCA Cookbook

Five women from Agawam, by contributing their tried and tested recipes have helped make possible the "YWCA Cooks" the new community cookbook published by the Springfield YWCA.

Also featured are recipes from Rosalynn Carter of Washington, D.C., Kitty Dukakis of Brookline, and Governor Ella Grasso of Connecticut. Altogether, over 90 area women have contributed, and a recipe for Canine Cookies, especially for dogs, is also included.

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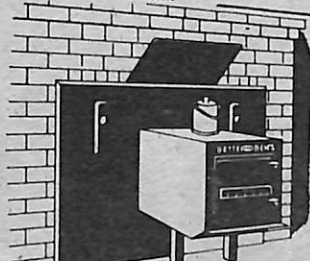
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Sports

A.A.A. Girls Take Forth In Tournament

by Gail Loneto

Thunder, Thunderation

To a rousing chorus of "When we play with determination, we create a thunderation", the two A.A.A. girls softball teams thundered off the bus to play their first game in the Mass. State Regional Softball Tournament, in Fall River.

This was the girls' first tournament, and although they claimed to be nervous, they displayed only confidence and team spirit to their opponents.

Team 2, coached by Gerry Mason and assisted by Bill O'Brian, and Bob Slamon took the field first. Pitcher Linda Desmaris pitched an excellent game and a triple by Maria Kozloski in the first inning, and a double by Renee Dalton in the third inning helped the Agawam team secure its first 16-4 victory against the Sacred Heart Eagles.

Meanwhile team 1, coached by Colleen Dalton and assisted by Doug Chevalier, was making short work of the Sacred Heart Flames on a nearby field. The A.A.A. team gave up only 1 run as pitcher Betsey O'Keefe led her team to a 16-1 victory.

With both teams victorious, the bus ride to the hotel after the games was sheer bedlam. Victorious and full of confidence, the girls were hard pressed to rest-up for the second game of the tournament later in the afternoon.

Arriving at the field early, the Agawam teams took the fields to practice. The temperature was a scorching 96° and the girls looked slightly tired and wilted.

Both teams played good games but at the end of seven innings, both teams had their first taste of defeat. Sommerset aces Agawam team 1 and defending champions, the Wilbraham Falcons trounced Agawam team 2. Tired and slightly deflated, the Agawam teams returned to the hotel to rest and refuel before Sunday's games. Both teams realized that one more defeat would put them out of the running.

After a nights "rest", the girls were eager to face their next opponents. The girls spirits were again high and their banter literally rocked the bus on the ride to the fields. Both teams looked good and hopes were high for two more victories.

Team 2, led by pitcher Diane Ouillette, played a valiant game, but a victory

was not to be had by this hard playing team. Even when there was little chance of victory the team gave its all. The defeat placed Agawam team 2 in sixth position in the overall standings.

One Team Left

At the same time team 2 was tasting defeat for the second time, team 1 was playing a close game with the Chelmsford Wings. Led by pitcher Angela Ross, the team was playing 'nip and tuck' ball. At the end of the second inning the score was 2-0 with Agawam trailing. At the top of the third, a homerun by Diane Goodman, driving in 3 runs put Agawam ahead by one run. At the bottom of the third inning, a double play by second baseman Debbie Dalton, and first baseman Diane D'Alma, coupled with a pop fly caught by catcher Kelly Lizewski, held the Agawam's one run lead.

Going into the last inning Agawam had a two run lead, but Chelmsford

quickly loaded the bases and a run scored. With bases loaded and two outs, the Chelmsford batter hit a hard line drive toward center fielder Chris Altobelli. Unable to catch the ball in the air, Chris quickly relayed the ball to second baseman, Lisa Chavalier who threw the ball into home. Catcher Kelly Lizewski executed the final out of the game. Agawam defeated the Chelmsford Wings by a score of 5-4.

The final game for Agawam in the Mass. Regional Tournament was a close well played game. The Swansea Cobras led Agawam by a narrow margin throughout the entire game. They were able to score only three runs. Even though Agawam loaded the bases twice, they were not able to score.

Pitcher Angela Ross pitched an excellent game in spite of a knee injury acquired in an earlier game. The teams were evenly matched, but a victory was not to be had by the hard playing Agawam

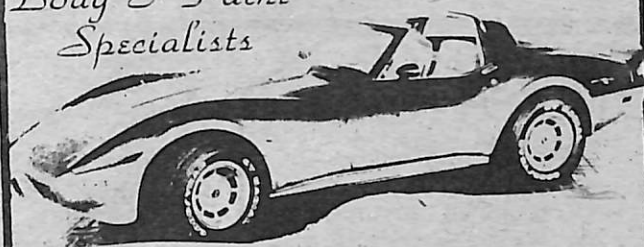


Angela Ross pitcher, tries for another strike-out. photo by GAL

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Catcher Kelly Lazewski, beats the Cobra runner at home executing the last out of the game for an Agawam win. photo by GAL

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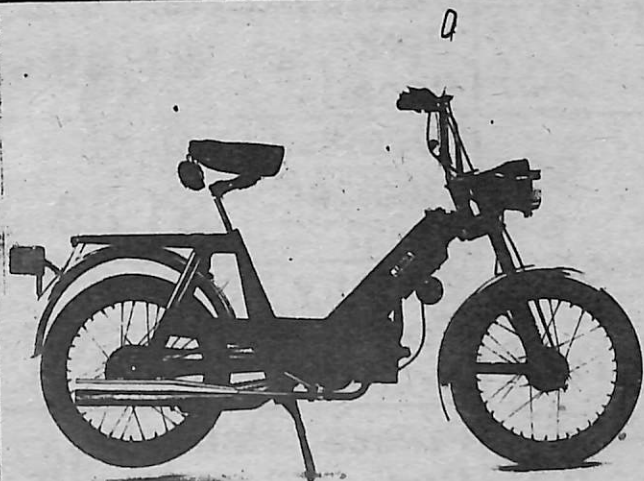
team. The final score was 3-0 with the Swansea Cobras victorious.

The Agawam team returned home with a hard earned forth overall position in the standings, eager to return next year to try for the number one position.

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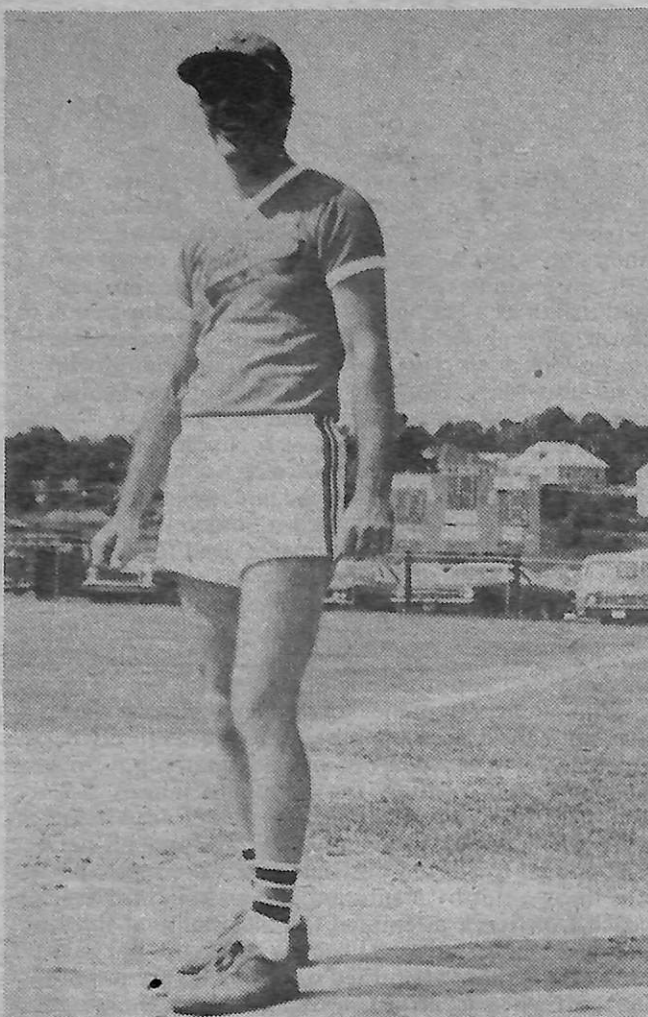
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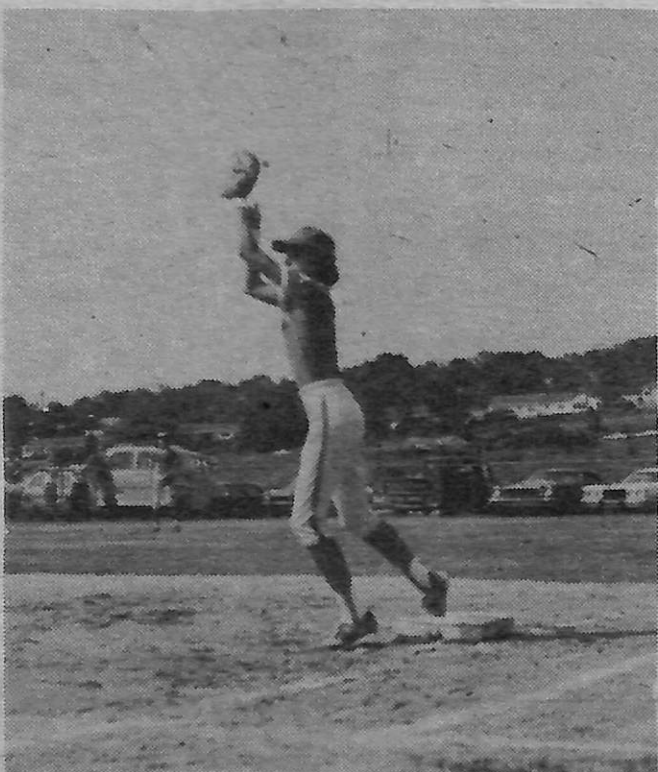
First baseman Diane D'Alma stretches for the ball for a play on first. photo by GAL



Bob "Crazy Legs" Slamon coaches at first base. photo by GAL



Angela Ross looking for that grand slam. photo by GAL



Debbie Dalton, first baseman, jumps to beat the runner at first. photo by GAL

NSA To Tour Newport

Springfield Chapter, The National Secretaries Association (International) members and their guests will enjoy a bus trip to the famous Newport mansions on Saturday, July 28th.

According to co-chairmen Joyce Jackson and Mary Nilsson, guided tours will be provided to the Hammersmith Farm mansion where Jackie Kennedy Onassis and the late President Kennedy held their wedding reception; and to The Breakers, perhaps the best known and most spectacular of the Newport mansions. This was built by Cornelius Vanderbilt in 1895 and overlooks the Atlantic Ocean and Cliff Walk.

Plenty of free time will be allowed for shopping in the Brick Market Wharf, home of Newport crafts and showroom of historic Newport reproductions. Enroute home, dinner will be enjoyed at The Coachmen.

Buses will leave the Mass. Mutual Life Insurance Company parking lot promptly at 8 a.m. and return at approximately 9 p.m. Those finding it more convenient to leave from Palmer can depart

from the Palmer Bus Lines terminal on South Main Street at 7 a.m.

Reservations must be made with either Joyce Jackson, The Knolls, South Hadley, or Mary Nilsson, 273 Cooper Street, Springfield, before July 17th.



Mr. Gerry Mason, president of the Agawam Athletic Association would like to thank the West Springfield-Agawam Elks, 2174; the Polish American Club, and Steven Cincotta for their help in making possible the recent trip to Fall River by the A.A.A. Junior Division Girls Softball Team.

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Tri-County Baseball

By Rich Willis

The Westfield-Agawam Cardinals broke into July with four straight victories; two with hitting, two with pitching. The four wins moved the Cardinals to within 1½ games of first place and set the stage for a big contest against front running Central Chevrolet.

Nineteen hits against East Longmeadow Leasing and twenty base knocks versus Oliver Auto Body propelled Westfield-Agawam to their first two wins in July by scores of 14-13 and 15-7 respectively. Lou Conte (3 hits, 2 RBI's), Rick Mastroianni (3 hits, 3 RBI's) and Dave Barnard (2 hits, 3 RBI's) did most of the damage against East Longmeadow. Mark Beglain came on to save the game in the seventh inning by recording the last out. East Longmeadow had exploded for nine runs off John Moccio.

Against Oliver, it was all Alex Massel as the Cardinal outfielder collected five hits including a home run, double and four RBI's. Every Cardinal player reached Oliver pitching for a least one hit. Tri-County League All Star, Don Irzyk, improved his record to 5-1 while going the distance.

Pitching took center stage in the Cardinal's next two victories as they posted wins over the Chicopee Falls Tigers and Hadley Burger King by identical scores of 1-0, both in extra innings. Butch Lemagdelane made his first appearance for the Cardinals, twirling a 3-hitter against Chicopee Falls. Alex Massel was again instrumental in the victory, as he scored the winning run and gunned down a potential tying run in the bottom of the 8th inning with a fine throw from leftfield that beat the Tiger runner by ten feet. Lou Conte, another Cardinal All Star, had three hits, one of which was a booming double that scored Massel with the game-winning run.

It took nine innings for the Cardinals to do the job against Hadley Burger King. Dave Barnard threw the shutout, allowing just four hits. Mark Guindon opened the Cardinal ninth with a walk and advanced to third on Rick Mastroianni's single. With no outs,

the Hadley infield shortened up to the grass. The Cardinals brought Scott Herd to the plate and he promptly hit a ground ball that bounced between the shortstop's legs allowing the winning run to score.

The Cardinals had almost seen the game slip away in the sixth as a Hadley batter drilled a Barnard pitch down the rightfield line. Mike Peitroniro retrieved the ball in deep right, relayed to Craig Plante who fired into Mark Guindon for the tag of the Hadley runner tried to leg out a homerun.

Just a game and a half out of first place, the Cardinals hosted Central Chevrolet with a chance to gain a full game. AIC's Steve Mercadante took the hill for the Cardinals and experienced a shaky first inning. Two walks and two hits led to a 2-0 lead for Central Chevrolet. Cardinal catcher, Mark Guindon, who has recently found his power stroke, crashed a 3-run homer in the bottom of the first to put the Cardinals up 4-2. Earlier in the inning, Rick Mastroianni's sacrifice fly had scored the first Cardinal run.

Both pitchers tightened up through the middle innings until the Cardinals broke through in the fifth. Once again it was Mark Guindon, bombing a long homerun and putting the Cardinals ahead 5-2. Westfield-Agawam attempted to pad their lead in the sixth when John Plante got into the longball act. Plante tried to stretch his triple into a homerun, but was thrown out by a substantial margin. Third base coach Don Irzyk attempted to hold Plante at third, but took blame saying, "I had my hands up, but gave him a no verbal." It turned out to be a very important run when Central Chevrolet made a charge at Mercadante and reliever Butch Lemagdelane in the seventh.

Central tied the game with three runs then took the lead with two out when second baseman John Griffin failed to charge a slow hopper permitting the Central batter to reach safety. The Cardinals were unable to bounce back in the bottom of the seventh, absorbing a 6-5 loss. Coach Don Irzyk conceded "we beat ourselves."

The Cardinals take the field at Agawam's Shea Field on Friday, July 20 and Monday July 23 to face off against East Longmeadow Leasing and Oliver Auto Body.



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Lionettes Travel to Tourney

The Agawam Lionettes will travel to Lowell, Mass. on Saturday to represent the State of Massachusetts in the New England Regional Senior Girls Fast-Pitch Softball Championship. They will carry with them some big guns--8 players from last year's national contenders, an undefeated suburban league record, a 10-2 league game average, and a team spirit that radiates, not only the will to win, but the will to shut out their opponents.

And they will have a double incentive: to continue the tradition of the Pioneer Valley Girls Softball League--no fast-pitch team in New England, except those bounded by the PVGASL, has ever qualified to play in the National Championship--this will be a ninth attempt; and to substantially improve their national rank--currently 19th out of a national registration of more than 9,000 registered ASA girls teams.

To improve their chances, the Lionettes recently played in the Mid-Hudson Invitational Tournament at Poughkeepsie, New York, where they lost to the New Jersey State Champion Ramsey Jais; played their best defensive game against the New York State Champion, Port Jarvis, losing 1-0; beat the New York City Metro Champion, Mt. Vernon; and played the entire bench against the host, Orange County, New York.

That tournament had no bearing on their league record or their march to the nationals, and was used to maximum advantage as a competitive learning experience. What they learned was evident in their next four league games where they outscored their opponents 38-4, including Westfield Wonders (11-1 and 4-1), West Springfield Royals (17-2), and Hampden/Wilbraham Falcons (9-0).

Rotating on the rubber are co-captain Karen Tyburski (ERA 0.98), former All-Western Mass. varsity pick and STCC varsity starter; and Kathy Chase (ERA 1.27), Agawam High School var-

sity starter. Behind the plate, Lisa Fern and Lynda Kunasek (Agawam varsity starter) backstop and direct the defense. Around the field are Shari Baldarelli (1st), Agawam varsity starter; Lee Harvey (2nd), Agawam varsity starter; Edwyna Stefanik (3rd), Agawam varsity starter; Barb Landers (ss), Springfield College JV starter; co-captain Lee-Ann Mercadante (L.F.), Springfield College JV starter; Micki Korob (C.F.), Agawam varsity starter; and JoAnne Simmons (R.F.).

Continuing: Lori Harvey (O.F.), Agawam JV; Lori Woodruff (O.F.), Agawam JV; Jennifer Ayre (O.F.), Agawam JV; Laura Gensfron (I.F.); Laurel Masi (2nd); Sandy Teal (3rd - O.F.), Agawam JV; Joanne Anderson (O.F.), Agawam JV; and Paula Gagnon (O.F., disabled, scorekeeper), Cathedral JV. The team is coached by Bill Meissner, Manager/Coach, and Sid Harvey, Trainer/Coach.

Recognizing the premise, you can't lose a game if you hold the opponents scoreless, the Lionettes are concentrating their development on solid pitching and a posture of preventive defense.

Car Club Will Sponsor Autocross Racing

Saturday and Sunday, July 28 and 29, Yankee Sports Car Club will sponsor a weekend of high speed autocross racing at Orange airport, Orange, Mass.

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Springfield 'Y' Swim Schedule

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There's something for everyone! So for fun, fitness and relaxation, check out Springfield 'Y' pool. For further information, call the Springfield YMCA at 739-6951 or come in for a visit. They are located at 275 Chestnut Street on the corner of Liberty.

Sportsmen's Corner

by Bill Chiba



These are real "dog days" and the fishing is almost at a stand still. I mean trout fishing. Bass and pickerel, perch and bullheads are hitting like mad.

Excursions with the grandchildren have suffered. Competition with little league, soccer practice, summer school (2 hours per day), and a camping and tour program for children in Westfield has taken up most of their free (I say free with tongue in cheek) time.

However, Monday was an open day and the boys wanted to go fishing. The boat was out; they wanted to fish a brook or river. I told them I had a few things to clear up before we could take off. "Go into the backyard and catch some large grasshoppers," I directed them. They were off with bubbling enthusiasm, and I could hear the yells and happy squeals when they landed on a large one.

Grandma was furiously rushing around the house doing this and that and finally hollered out the door. "Don't leave without me." That made the trip just dandy for the children. Grandma has to participate in every affair. If she can't go on one of our journeys, they find it very hard to understand why not.

The only river I could visualize as being safe and clear with enough deep holes to hold fish this time of year was the upper branch of the Westfield. Past Huntington, we encountered a problem of the good holes having swimmers in them. It was very satisfying to this scribe to witness the river being used for swimming like it used to be when I was a kid. The sportsmen have done a good job in finally convincing the towns to take their sewage out of the rivers.

However, the swimmers presented a problem of finding a suitable piece of water for fishing. The river was running low and clear. Finally, way up the river just below Chester, we found an unused hole. We put the bait on the hooks and let them float down the stream near some protruding rocks. Immediately a fish (looked like a small mouth bass to me) sucked in the grasshopper. Jeremy yanked a little too soon, and the fish fell back into the water.

A variety of fish could be seen swimming around and back and forth in the hole. Bass, pumpkinseeds, bullheads, dace, and a couple of good-sized trout. One of them looked like he would tape out 15 to 16 inches.

The kids were kept in a high state of excitement. If I heard it once, I heard it a thousand times. "Grandpa, come here and see the size of this one. He won't touch my grasshopper."

Then I heard a loud splashing. I swung around quick, and Jeremy was floundering in the water. I grabbed him and put him

back on his feet, and he never once pulled his line out of the water. There was a large sucker on the bottom, and he was trying to entice it to hit the hook.

Just a simple trip for a few hours in the afternoon, and what an enjoyable few hours they were. The children had a ball and were just plain kids with no pressures on them. No "pick your pitch; watch the catcher; steal second; etc." They were free.

It reminded me of my young days with my father. We used to leave at 4 in the morning. No cars in the family; footmobile was the mode of transportation. Dad led the way with a kerosene lantern, and my brother and I stumbled after him, apprehensive about the blackness all around us. Bogey men were big in those days. Every fishing trip was a great experience, and I always looked forward to the next one.

The boys didn't catch a fish (it was so bright that the fish could see them flogging the water with their lines), but the expectation of catching one of those monsters was running a "high C." They put up a number of arguments of why it was too early to leave when I announced it was time to go home. Of course, Grandpa won, and we stopped for an ice cream to top off a perfect afternoon. Life is Beautiful.

Class Of '65 Seeks Help

Attention: Agawam High School Class of 1965!

Our 15th year reunion is coming up. If you are interested in working on the planning committee, please call Sue (Cimma) Montgomery at 786-8435 for information regarding an August 2nd meeting.

Piranha's Summer Meets

The Agawam Athletic Association's Piranha's Swim team is in the middle of a heavy summer swim meet schedule.

The team has been hard at work at the Jr. High School pool since early May. Although practice doesn't always make perfect, it seems to be working well this season. Their record is now 3-0, having downed Westfield 452-316; Amherst 455-367; and Ludlow 589-136.

There are many new faces this season as well as the old familiar ones. Most of those who joined in the spring have persevered.

Two months ago there were swimmers who could not make it the length of the pool without hearing someone yell, "get off the lane lines". These same youngsters are now swimming in competition and holding their own.

With each meet, individual times are improving and even if a swimmer comes in last, but improves his previous time by one or two seconds, he's a winner in his own right.

Competitive swimming is both a team and an individual sport. Each swimmer swims with this in mind. And as in all past seasons the motto of the Piranhas still remains, "all members of the team swim."

The Piranhas are still under the able leadership of Judi Gregory, varsity coach of Longmeadow's girls swim team. Judi is gifted with patience, perseverance and a set of good lungs, attributes which certainly come in handy when you are dealing with swimmers who range in age from 5-18.

The remaining schedule is as follows. All meets start at 6 p.m. with warm-ups at 5:30. Home meets are held at the Agawam Jr. High Pool.

Tuesday, July 17 at So. Hadley - Away
Thursday, July 19 at Springfield - Away
Tuesday, July 24, E. Longmeadow - Home
Thursday, July 26 at Chicopee - Away



Members of Mushy's 8-10 baseball team recently presented a plaque to their coach Lou Guevin at the end of the season. Shown above, from left to right, front row: Bobby Mezzetti, Kevin Payne, Richard Lavallette, Jason Guevin, and Shawn Bonavita. Second row, same order: Eric Merriman, Tony Cechetti, Jeff Govoni, Jeff Guevin, Ed Piney, Bobby McMullin, and Kenny Messinger. Back row: Bernie Payne, Lou Guevin, and George Piney. photo by Jack Devine

Sacred Heart Crusaders Win

The Sacred Heart Crusaders of the 14-16 Suburban Baseball League won two games last week.

On Wednesday night, they defeated the Holyoke Park and Rec team by the score of 7-4. John Calabrese spun a four-hitter and was in charge during the whole game.

Outstanding hitters were John Calabrese and Mike Wagner with two hits each. Ralph Albano

and Tim Desmond chipped in with RBI singles.

On Thursday night, the Crusaders played their arch-rivals, Sarat Ford of Agawam, and came up with an impressive win with a score of 11-5. Ken Peck pitched a hard five-

inning ball game and also cracked two hits.

Mike Wagner and Frank Rondoletto had two hits each, and Craig Ober, Tim Desmond, and Dave Vecchiarelli all made defensive gems to secure the victory.



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Down to Earth

by Janet Cook



The tomato has been around for a very long time. It is recorded that they were cultivated in France, Spain and Italy in 1544. A century later they were grown as a curiosity in England. The first seeds to reach Europe were of the yellow variety. In early pioneer America only the bravest of the brave would eat these "apples of gold". New Englanders in Salem in 1802 wouldn't even taste them. They were thought to be poison. It is thought that some of the first tomatoes grown for food were found in Mexico. By 1835 tomatoes were accepted by most everyone as a useful article for the diet and should be found on everyman's table, according to the editor of the "Maine Farmer". Today, the tomato is the number one vegetable (actually a fruit) grown in the vegetable garden.

When the beginner plants tomatoes, there are four common mistakes that can be made. Failure to fit the variety to the climate; not choosing disease resistant varieties; planting too early; and planting in a location that

is too shady. A tomato requires at least six hours of sunlight per day. A well grown fruiting tomato plant needs even moisture in well drained soil and fertilizing once a month until the plant is mature. Failure to set fruit can come from the night temperatures being too cool or from being grown in the shade.

Too much nitrogen fertilizer can produce a huge green monster with hardly any fruit on it. In the summer heat, very high night temperatures (above 75) will stop the setting of fruit also. Rain or prolonged humid conditions can hamper fruit set. As you can see, if you have tomato plants with little or no tomatoes forming, it could be your fault, or that if Mother Nature.

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ed Max-Ed, vandalism within the high school and problems in the school's parking lot had subsided. Mrs. Fuller argued that the same results would occur at Agawam High.

She pointed to the school vandalism and parking lot problems as being related to seniors being allowed to come and go from the building during the school day. To curb abusive parking lot activity, Mrs. Fuller declared, the school department had to hire a security man from Hubbard Security in Agawam to patrol that troubled area. "Keep the kids in the building and the troubles in the parking lot will certainly be alleviated," she quipped.

At the same June 28th meeting, Balboni, a veteran member of the school committee, presented statistics that the academic accomplishment of seniors had dropped since the implementation of the program in 1972.

No Faculty Support

Balboni further said that in his many conversations with faculty at the high school and in faculty polls conducted by Mrs. Charest, it was proved that the faculty did not support the program. Added Balboni, "here is a program of failure and we're being asked to continue it. All I have here are the facts and reports and its my conclusion that Max-Ed is a failure, and has been since day one."

Also scoring the value of the program was Napolitan. He agreed with both Balboni and Fuller in their negative assessments of Max-Ed. While program proponents Venetta Snyder, Roberta Doering and Richard Borgatti remained rather complacent at the June 28 meeting, it was decided that the program's fate would be determined on July 12th because of the stalemate amongst the board members. When Ennis, who was absent from the June 28th deliberations appeared on July 12th, the impasse would be broken. Such was not the case.

With all seven members present on July 12th, political maneuvering and the bitterness that has often surfaced at school committee meetings flourished as never before. The last big struggle on the school committee's floor was over the 4 million dollar high school renovation. The final vote, coming after much publicized disagreement over the question of whether or not to renovate, spotlighted the now infamous 4-3 split on the board. The renovation project is now proceeding according to schedule.

No Alternative Plan

But this time, Ennis, usually seen voting with Doering, Borgatti and Snyder, clearly indicated that unless the Max-Ed program is modified even further, the program's turbulent life was about over. This was especially solidified when no dissenting member of the board could come up with an alternative plan to modify Max-Ed. Although Ennis was in a compromising mood, Balboni, Napolitan and Fuller were not. They wanted the kids back in the school building.

When Napolitan became enraged over what he termed "delaying tactics" on the part of Max-Ed proponents, he promptly removed himself from the Junior High chambers. Ennis voted with Balboni and Fuller. The Max-Ed deadlock continued. The committee's next move was to instruct acting Superintendent of Schools, James Bruno, to bring forth a list of proposals that will recommend further modification of Max-Ed for next September. According to Bruno, he will start his research from the beginning of the program in 1972. Bruno has until the first meeting in August to formulate his proposals.

Wrong Time of Year

Mrs. Snyder told the Advertiser/News that except for the political "snowballing" that occurred during the Max-Ed debate, there is a feeling the committee that tightening the Max-Ed program is now the issue. Stating her reasons for supporting Max-Ed's continuation, she remarked, "this is the wrong time of the year to do away with a program that has been established for seven years. The kids are expecting it to continue in September. If we were going to do away with it, it should have been early in the spring when teachers, students and parents could have come before us and evaluated it. This is not the fair way to go about it and we do this every year."

Lost in the controversy and politicking on the school committee is how the program has actually progressed in seven years; its successes and its failures, which everyone is quick to point out.

Some blame the faculty; others the administration. Most folks take the easy way out and blame the kids. Mary Charest, a language teacher at the high school has directed Max-Ed since September, 1976. She refuses to blame the kids. *Next week: Part Two*

Berkshire Fair Offers Summer Racing

The horses will be off and running Wednesday as the Berkshire County Fair breaks from tradition in offering summertime pari-mutuel thoroughbred racing for the first time.

Normally held in the autumn each year, officials of this year's Berkshire Fair have opted for summer race dates and have scheduled 10 days of racing.

The meet will take place at the Great Barrington Fairgrounds on Route 7 in Great Barrington and will run from Wednesday, July 18 to Sunday, July 28. There will be no racing Monday or Tuesday, July 23 and 24.

There will be ten race cards daily with both daily double and perfecta wagering. There will be five perfectas on each day's program, the second, the fourth, sixth, eighth, and tenth races.

Post time daily will be 2 p.m.

This will mark the first time that perfecta betting has been conducted on the Massachusetts Fair Circuit. It is a popular form of betting that was introduced at major race tracks a few years ago which requires the bettor to select - in order of finish - the first two horses to cross the line.

Special perfecta machines have been installed to accommodate the bettor and provide fast service.

Berkshire will be looking for an upgrade in the quality of horse racing with the announcement that Leo J. Pambianchi Jr. will be the new racing secretary. Pambianchi, who comes to Berkshire directly from Suffolk Downs, says that there will be several new stables on hand.

"Pambianchi has the experience that certainly will show in the quality of horse racing at Berkshire," noted racing director Gaston Valiquette, who is associated with Sports Services, Inc. of Buffalo which took over the Berkshire County Fair racing operation a year ago.

Horsemen will be competing for purses of \$1500, according to Valiquette.

There will be special feature races each day and will generally come as the eighth race on the afternoon's program.

This marks the second year the Berkshire meet has been conducted at the Barrington Fairgrounds. Ticket reservations for clubhouse, infield, and grandstand seats will be taken at 528-3030.

The Berkshire meet will mark the start of the 1979 Massachusetts Fair racing circuit. Other meets will follow at Marshfield, Northampton, and Great Barrington. Barrington will conduct its meet from September 9 to the 16th.

TNB Merges

Wilson Brunel, president of T.N.B. Financial Corp., announced recently that the merger of Pioneer Bancorp, Inc. of Greenfield with T.N.B. Financial Corp. was completed effective July 9.

T.N.B. Financial Corp. is the parent of Third National Bank of Hampden County, Springfield; Ware Trust Company, Ware; Williamstown National Bank, Williamstown; The First National Bank of Athol, Athol; and two bank-related subsidiaries: T.N.B. Leasing Corp. and T.N.B. Mortgage Company Inc. of Springfield.

Pioneer Bancorp Inc.'s two banking subsidiaries,

Pioneer National Bank - Hampshire in Northampton and Pioneer National Bank - Franklin in Greenfield, will continue to operate in their respective areas as subsidiaries of T.N.B. Financial Corp.

The combined resources of the affiliation will be approximately \$600 million. T.N.B. Financial Corp. is the largest bank holding company headquartered in Western Massachusetts.

Mr. Brunel stated that he is delighted to have the Pioneer banks added to the T.N.B. family, and they plan to offer new and expanded financial services to the Western Mass. area.

Library Plans Special "Beyond Our Earth"

The Agawam Public Library will present a 2-hour lecture/workshop on astronomy for young people aged 8-15 on Monday morning, July 23rd, at 10:00 a.m. It is not a part of the Summer Reading Club, and all interested youth are invited to register for this program at the library.

The program will include background information on astronomy, a

demonstration of equipment used by astronomers, and participatory activities for those attending.

Further information on this event is available at the library. Attendance will be limited, and pre-registration is necessary. James R. Yankee, Director of the Enrico Fermi Planetarium, will coordinate and present the workshop.

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Summer Housing Tips

Begin by determining what home improvements are needed. Do the windows and doors need weatherstripping or caulking? Do storm windows need to be installed? How about installation for the unfinished attic floor, is it adequate? Do the crawl space walls or the floor and basement walls need insulation? Are the thermostat, furnace, and air conditioner in good working condition or do they need servicing?

Some home will require more energy-saving improvements than others. Decide what improvements to make, then figure how much each one costs, which one will get your money back the fastest, and how much you will save by making that improvement now. Next, determine the difficulty of each project.

List the tools, the materials, and the procedures for every job.

You will save money if you can do the work yourself, but some jobs may require the technical skills of a private contractor.

To help you make informed decisions when you buy insulation and other weatherization materials or choose a contractor, the Department of Housing and Urban Development has published a step-by-step booklet of energy cost-cutting techniques for all types of housing. In *The Bank...Or Up The Chimney?* is HUD's dollars and cents guide to energy-saving home improvement. The 76-page booklet is packed with information about energy-saving credit call toll free (800) 552-9500.

New Games For Families Scheduled

Massachusetts Audubon Society's Laughing Brook Education Center in Hampden is planning an enjoyable afternoon of New Games for families on Saturday, July 21, at 1 p.m.

New Games are non-competitive activities that stress cooperation rather than competition. Many have been adapted to teach environmental messages as well. Age is no barrier to the New Games concept and, in fact, adults and children often learn new methods of communication with each other during the sessions.

The New Games program is open to the public and a nominal fee is charged. For more information and to make reservations, call Laughing Brook at 566-3571.

"Star Party" Scheduled

Laughing Brook Education Center in Hampden is sponsoring an evening Star Party for families on Friday, July 20, beginning at 9 p.m.

Ron Woodland, an avid amateur astronomer, will host the party. He has taught numerous stargazing workshops and courses for local conservation organizations. The evening Star Party will focus on learning the summer constellations, stars, and planets and the moon.

The Star Party also takes on a special significance on the evening as it is the 10th anniversary of the first lunar landing. Features on the crescent moon will be looked at with binoculars and telescopes.

The Star Party is open to the public and a fee is charged. To make reservations, call Laughing Brook at 566-3571.

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